



## Our Prices

Are Being Ground Down Very Fine.

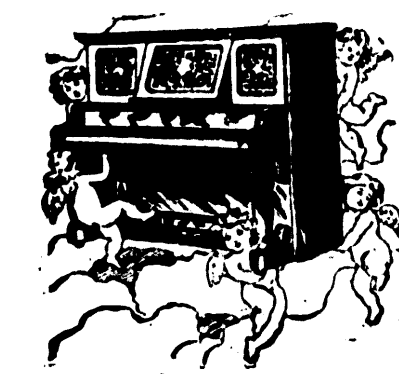
All Next Week  
1-4 Off Sale

Will Continue in the Stationery Department.

We have upwards of \$1,000 in tablets, school cards, Sunday school cards, miscellaneous books, box papeteries, letter paper, typewriter supplies, slates, pencils, and a quantity of soaps that are in the way.

One-Fourth Off Sale  
Open from  
Monday to Saturday.

Lowe & Rouse



## Start the New Year

with a piano—you'll find it easier and pleasanter to live with a little music to brighten your ways now and then. Think of the instruction and culture it will bring to the children—think how they will thank you for it when they grow older. Don't think about the cost—before you commence to worry, drop in and see what we have.

J. J. OSBORN,

## Cough

Your head off most ch! Use Hopkins' W. P. Expectorant.

## Cold

Foot makes you take cold in other parts of the body. You do not realize it at the time but it comes.

## and

You sneeze, that is a sure inclination that you can expect trouble and possibly

Consumption

Not a very flattering outlook for a paying job. If you notice any of these symptoms call for something to cure them at

HOPKINS' DRUG STORE  
Old Oscar Pepper Whisky and Spring Valley Port Wine.

## MANY CRYING EVILS.

R. I. Jarvis Depicts the Blasting Effect of the Competition of Convict Labor.

### A HINDRANCE TO PROSPERITY.

What Might Have Proved a Great Industry for Benton Harbor Ruined by Unjust System.

Roman I. Jarvis in a speech delivered before the members of the Bimetallic club last night declared that convict labor, under the present system of management stood in the way of the country's prosperity as much as any other condition prevailing. Before the people arrived at a proper analysis of this question and make the application of a remedy they cannot hope to witness the dawn of better or kinder days.

Mr. Jarvis believed with many penologists that first the laws should be altered so as to permit the convicts to make restitution to their victims as far as practicable. A murderer of course could not make restitution but only a very small per cent of the prison population were murderers. The greatest evil of convict labor was the ruinous competition into which it came with free labor. Hundreds of factories employing honest labor had been driven into bankruptcy and thousands of men thrown out of employment by the criminal system under which the products of prison labor were unloaded on the market. As an instance establishing the truth of this statement the speaker referred to the fact that as a result of the introduction of the manufacturing of chairs in the Detroit house of correction every chair factory in Michigan was obliged to discharge its hands and close its doors. They could not meet the prices at which the chairs manufactured by convict labor procured by soulless contractors at 50 cents were placed on the market. The speaker's own experience with convict labor was related. He had planted in Benton Harbor the germ of an institution that had every promise of developing into an industry of large proportions where hundreds of hands might now be given daily employment had not the damaging and blasting effects of convict labor been encountered. He was manufacturing shoes, the sale of which was rapidly being extended when J. D. Pratt appeared in the shoe market with goods manufactured at Michigan City by convict labor procured at 50 cents per day. These goods were sold at 85 per cent less than the speaker was obliged to demand for the products of his institution which employed honest labor.

One of the reforms in the country's penal institution advocated by the speaker was the suspended sentence system. He would have the young offender who appeared before a tribunal for sentence kindly admonished and released with the understanding that he must make restitution to the man he injured, and further that upon his second appearance in court to answer for a crime he would be punished. This would gradually reduce the population of prisons and necessarily lessen the products of prison labor.

Hand labor was suggested as another remedy of the evil of convict labor. The Eastern Pennsylvania prison had adopted this system with highly satisfactory results. With the abandonment of the machines now in use for manufacturing prison goods and the universal adoption of hand labor competition with free labor would be reduced to the smallest minimum. Between 15 and 16 trades were taught and carried on in prisons, depriving the honest followers of these various trades of the profit of employment and unduly denying them of the economic and success enjoyed by their fellow citizens whose trades or occupations are not carried on in prisons and consequently not affected by prison labor.

A reduction of the hours of labor by convicts was suggested as another mode of alleviating the evils of prison labor. The speaker would have the convicts labor six hours per day and devote the remainder of their time to intellectual improvement. This would advance the mental condition of the convicts and also reduce the amount of goods distributed from prisons. Further the state should have control of prison manufacturing. The present system of hiring the convicts to contractors was unsatisfactory principally because it lacked reformatory principles. The contractors paid 30 to 60 cents per day for their labor and then cut prices on their goods to secure a market, a condition which should be made a crime. If the contract system must continue then a law should be enacted preventing the contractors from disposing of their dishonest made goods at less than the market price. With the state controlling the convict labor the prisoners could be used in improving the roads and manufacturing all that the state institutions consume, thus benefiting the public.

The surplus of the convict's labor above the amount required to maintain him at the prison Mr. Jarvis would have sent home to the prisoner's family. With this fact in mind that a portion of his earnings were going toward the relief of his family the gray walls of the prison and its hardships would seem less gloomy to the convict. The speaker grew animated and in a despondently earnest voice declared that his chances in life had been injured by damnable competition of convict labor. Rigidity of punishment, declared Mr. Jarvis, does not lessen crime. The more lenient the punishment the fewer

will be the crimes. The speaker insisted that the country was retrograding, that despite the claims of improved legislation crime was increasing. In 1870 when the United States had a population of 23,000,000 there were 16,000 convicts in the prisons of the country. The prison population had increased until 1890 when the country had a population of 65,000,000 there were 75,000 prisoners.

Quoting Ingersoll, the speaker asked, "How long will it be under the present reformatory system before we will be a nation of criminals?" The boasted progress of the country was all a hoax and without a remedy to meet these prison wrongs and alleviate the evil of the system, the country could look for no improvement.

### LUCKY ACCIDENT.

F. J. Soule Had An Exciting Experience This Morning.

F. J. Soule, the grocer, was hurled from his cutter with violent force this morning and escaped serious injury by the narrowest margin. He was driving north on Pipestone street and at the Episcopal church met one of the Union Ice & Coal company's delivery wagon. The horse was moving at a moderately lively rate. Mr. Soule supposing that the delivery wagon would cross the car tracks to the right side of the street. He discovered too late that the driver of the heavy wagon intended to remain on the left side of the street and to avoid a direct collision Mr. Soule turned his horse sharply to the right. The cutter came in contact with a telegraph pole, throwing the occupant out onto the icy surface with great violence. Mr. Soule then ran away and was recovered near the Methodist church detached from the cutter. Neither Mr. Soule or the horse was injured. The only damage to the cutter was a broken wheel.

### CLAIMS HE WAS TAKEN IN.

General Alger Starts a Big Lawsuit in the South.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Feb. 4.—The case of General Russell A. Alger vs. Anderson was heard before Judge Clark in the federal court Tuesday. The suit grew out of a "boom" coal land deal. Through his agent and a local real estate firm, Gen. Alger bought the Anderson tract, consisting of about 25,000 acres in Franklin county, for \$10,000, paying a large amount in cash.

The general claims that the real estate dealers bribed his agent to make false reports, and that the land is practically worthless. He seeks the recovery of the amount paid, and release from contract. The decision was reserved.

### Probate Court.

In the matter of Hickory Creek drain John E. Burbank, county drain commissioner, filed his petition for the appointment by the court of three special commissioners to determine the necessity of constructing said drain, and award damages to those who have not already made the right of way. Hearing February 23 at 10 a. m.

### Estate of Floyd E. Hawks, minor.

Clyde Hawks, guardian of said minor, filed his petition for license to sell the real estate of said minor, and invest the proceeds at interest. Hearing March 1 at 10 a. m.

### Men's Entertainment.

Friday night, February 5, at Conkey's hall at 8 o'clock sharp the gentlemen of the Universalist church will give an entertainment with the following program:

Organ—Venetian Orchestra  
Reading—S. A. Bailey  
Gospel Solo—John Schaeffer  
Varieties—John Schaeffer  
Magics—Walter Brady  
Mysterious Finale in which all sorts of things will occur.

### Real Estate Transfers.

A. T. Gurd to Nicholas Elycome, lot 169, Lay's second addition, Niles, \$25.

Sarah C. Culver to Rayton E. Gridley, property in Three Oaks tp., \$14.

Hosca B. Gridley to Edward S. Caldwell, 20 acres in Three Oaks tp., \$400.

Edward S. Caldwell to A. Eckert, 20 acres in Three Oaks tp., \$1.

### Awarded

Highest Honors—World's Fair.

DR. PRICE'S

CREAM

BAKING

POWDER

MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 Years the Standard.

## WHO WILL GET IT?

Lawyers Explain to Judge Coolidge Who Is Entitled to the Mittan Money.

### LOTS OF TROUBLE FOR B. F. EARL

Judge Coolidge Will Keep the Disputed Money Until Litigation Over It Ceases.

After THE NEWS had gone to press yesterday Col. E. Bacon, representing the American express company, made a motion before Judge Coolidge that the \$650 now in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Earl and which was received from Miss Edwards by Superintendent Smith of the express company be handed over to the court, pending proceedings which the express company have instituted for its recovery. He quoted several rulings and supreme court decisions sustaining his argument.

Mr. Lambert, who with Hon. E. L. Hamilton appeared for Mittan, said that at the preliminary hearing it was agreed by the prosecution and defense that the money be placed in the custody of Deputy Sheriff Earl as they were opposed to Superintendent Smith traveling around the country with the money in his possession. He considered that it was within the jurisdiction of the court to dispose of the money and hand it over to his client, for the verdict in the criminal case decided the right of the property. Smith obtained the money by going to Miss Edwards and stating that Mittan had confessed a crime, and that he was ready to pay for it. The money is Mittan's and he is entitled to it. "Smith got the money by fraud and deceit," said Mr. Hamilton. "The express company is not entitled to it."

Judge Coolidge said the express company had a right to be heard and he would not order the money to be paid over without a hearing. "After the termination of the criminal case," said Judge Coolidge, "Mr. Earl asked the court what he should do with the \$350 found in Mittan's trunk and I told him to hand it over to the defendant. It is a question now whether I had a right to do so. The title of the property has not been decided. Mr. Earl is now exposed to two suits and if he ordered the money paid to Mittan he could still be sued by the express company."

### Other Court News.

In the case of Dick Lanting against the West Michigan nurseries, assigned for trial yesterday the plaintiff did not appear, and after impaneling the jury the case was temporarily deferred. The case came up again this afternoon and after hearing the testimony of the plaintiff the court instructed the jury to render a verdict in favor of the defendants.

The ejectment suit of George D. Fogle against Irving B. Hazard is occupying the circuit court today. The action is instituted to recover \$1,000 damages alleged to have been suffered by the plaintiff by reason of the defendant withholding from him the possession of certain lands in Royall township, L. C. Fyle and James O'Hara appear for the plaintiff and V. M. Gore for the defendant.

The Union bank of St. Joseph, was yesterday afternoon awarded a verdict of \$2,015 against the estate of June E. Martin. The bank sued to recover on a promissory note of \$2,500, upon which \$400 interest was due, executed by J. Balange and bearing the name of June E. Martin as surety. Sixty days were granted within which to prepare and settle a bill of exception.

### TWO CONVICTIONS.

Watervliet Young Men Suffer the Law's Force.

Emerson Lee, colored, and James Brown were convicted before a Watervliet justice of the peace yesterday, on the charge of assault and battery. They were sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 each and costs or be committed to the county jail for 90 days. Lee accepted the latter, and Brown paid the fine. It is alleged that they brutally assaulted Farmer Kelley and his sister whose home they entered by force. The evidence showed that they were intoxicated. Lee was received at the county jail today.

### I HAVE TAKEN HOOK'S PILLS

for biliousness and disorders of the stomach and bowels, and have always found them to be reliable.

Fred G. Cook, Watervliet, Mich.

HOOK'S SARSAPARILLA is the one true blood purifier.

### Lister's Bone Meal.

The season for bone meal is at hand. For Joseph Lister's celebrated meat orders may be left with P. Boehm, Benton Harbor.

C. H. FAIRMAN, 406120 General Agent.

Q. What is sweeter than life? Ans. A box of Bird's candy. Bird always keeps the best.

Have you tried MOORE'S Pro Patria cigars? Worth 10c, sold for 5c. Stamped Pro Patria. A cool, sweet, satisfying smoke. George Moore & Co., manufacturers, Detroit.

## THAT BRIBERY TALK.

Judge Coolidge Referred to It in Court This Morning.

If the intimations of bribery with reference to the Mittan jury are investigated, it will be by Prosecutor Valentine. Mr. Valentine reported the stories to Judge Coolidge, and it was the impression of the judge that it was a matter which belonged entirely to the duties of the prosecuting attorney.

Judge Coolidge this morning before entering upon the routine business of the circuit court, took occasion to correct the impression that he had taken any steps toward an inquiry, up to this time, but did not state what his intentions were concerning such an investigation.

Prosecuting Attorney Valentine has not looked into the matter sufficiently to decide whether an inquiry is warranted. The stories concerning the alleged bribery are known to him, but their reliability he has not attempted to establish. Further than laying the facts as given him before Judge Coolidge, he has done nothing.

The accusations have been traced to the source from which they sprang, but the probability of the purveyor being mistaken as to the genuineness of his information is considered by those in possession of the fact to be very strong.

### COLOMA MERCHANTS.

They Will Hold High Carnival Next Saturday.

COLOMA, Feb. 4.—The merchants of this village are preparing for a magnificent carnival to occur next Saturday. It is anticipated that it will be one of the grandest industrial displays ever witnessed in the county.

The merchants will be assisted in carrying out the various features by the farmers of the surrounding community. They will aid in completing the parade which will consist of gorgeously decorated wagons, representing numerous industries, with here and there a comic creation to relieve the monotony.

The course covered by the parade extends from Coloma to Watervliet and return.

### NEWS OF THE STATE.

Mrs. J. K. Ritter, one of the directors of the First National bank at Chicago, and mother of the cashier, committed suicide, Sunday, by hanging. The woman was slightly deranged. She was a leader in church work, and her death was a shock to the community.

Capitalists from northern Michigan are in Holland and say an electric road will be built from that place to Douglas, via Macatawa park and Saugatuck. Cuts will be running by August 1. Miss Canaan, a dressmaker of Kalamazoo, took laudanum with suicidal intent. Physicians pulled her out of danger. She refuses to give a reason for her desire to join the great majority.

A big cement factory, to cost \$100,000 and employ 50 to 100 men as a starter, will be located at Bronson, if Bronson will check up a bonus of \$10,000. A part of the amount required has already been subscribed.

### THE HOSPITAL FUND.

It is Growing With Flattering Rapidity.

A. Plummer, \$100

G. M. Bell, \$100

Edward Brant, \$100

John Bell, \$100

J. S. Morton, \$100

C. C. Hendrick, \$100

Frank P. Graves, \$100

W. C. Bastar, \$100

E. H. Ferguson, \$100

A. A. Patterson, \$100

Mrs. C. H. Porter, \$100

C. H. Porter, \$100

Milton Hinkley, \$100

John A. Owens, \$100

H. V. Tutton, \$100

H. R. Huntington, \$100

Evening News, \$100

John E. Barnes, \$100

### HELD TO THE CIRCUIT COURT.

William Canton and J. C. Howard

Waived Examination.

William Canton and J. C. Howard,

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Graves this afternoon and were held to

the circuit court for trial.

"One touch of nature makes the whole world kin," and one taste of Bird's candy makes a

man feel at ease with himself and his mother-in-law. Bird always keeps the best.

DON WENTWORTH.

### Notice

Have left all outstanding accounts with O. S. Chapman for collection.

Those not finding Mr. Chapman can pay to Frank Burrat Baker's hardware store.

DON WENTWORTH.

## NEW STATE NORMAL.

An Effort on Foot to Locate Such An Institution in Benton Harbor.

### OUR LOCATION IS JUST RIGHT.

If Any More State Schools Are Planted We Are In Line for One.

A bill for introduction in the legislature has been sent to representative Van Camp from some of the leading citizens of Benton Harbor. The bill provides for the appropriation of \$35,000 for the building of a state normal school in this city, \$25,000 of the appropriation to be used in the erection and furnishing of such building and \$5,000 to be used in running the institution the first year and a like amount to be expended in the same manner the second year.

There are before the legislature at the present time or will be introduced this session a multitude of bills calling for state normal schools, a great majority of which are to be located in the Upper Peninsula. It is not known whether the legislature will favorably consider this demand for more state schools but if they do it is certain that the chance of Benton Harbor will be ahead of any other place now in the race. The school at this place would be called the state normal school for Southwestern Michigan.

It is not known whether the present bill will result in any immediate fruit or not but it will have the effect of bringing Benton Harbor before the state as the original applicant for a school in a district which has been very much neglected by the state.

It is to be hoped that even this year the legislature may take favorable action for in all such matters the state board of education would be called in consultation with the legislature in regard to the location of all such schools. As Prof. E. A. Wilson is president of the state board of education it is very easy to see that Benton Harbor would have an easy time of it in securing such a school should it be the policy of the legislature to establish more than we already have.

### THE SPRING STYLES.

Ladies Should Read Next Sunday's Chicago Tribune.

Ladies who desire enlightenment on the spring styles should purchase next Sunday's Chicago Tribune which will be on sale at Hall & Nichols. It will contain a signed article by Ch. Drevel of Vienna, costumer to the imperial family of Austria, on coming spring styles. He will describe what will be fashionable in street and traveling gowns, how jackets are to be trimmed, what hats will be worn and how they will be trimmed. He will describe a gown designed for a Vienna leader of fashion. The illustration next Sunday will be the model of a street costume designed for the coming season by Drevel.

Ladies who desire a number of this interesting edition of the Tribune are invited to leave their order at Hall & Nichols at once.

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## For New Year's

We are prepared to assist you in your wants in any way of

Fancy Slippers, Shoes, etc.

For Ladies and Gentlemen

Fine Neckwear, Hosiery, Gloves and Mittens, Hats, caps, Silk and Wool Mufflers, Fine Traveling Bags, Trunks, etc. Our stock of clothing and overcoats is exceptionally large and complete, and our boots, shoes and rubbers always right.

..The Globe Clothiers and Shoemakers

113 West Main Street.

## E. W. Moore & Co.

We Are the Bargain Leaders All the Time

SEE OUR SPECIALS FOR ONE DAY ONLY.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5.

We will show a new line of spring dress goods, 38 inch plaids, at 15c a yard; 42 inch all wool plaids, silk effects, 50c a yard; all wool novelties at 20c and 25c a yard.

See our stock of new spring prints at 5c and 6c a yard.

### GROCERIES

22 lbs. G. sugar, \$1.00. Eggs, 15c per dozen.

Gold Lace flour, \$4.25 a barrel.

Best spring wheat flour, \$4.50 bbl. 9 bars Jaxon sugar.

Until April 1 we close at 6:30 p. m.

## Genuine Reduction Sale

Having more goods than money we are awful anxious to exchange. In order to do so we expect to sacrifice. But that cuts no figure

## Goods Must Move

FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS

Purchasers of Dry Goods, Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Blankets, Cloaks and Millinery can save money by trading with us. Profits more than knocked off on everything. Some things less than half price.

## ENTERPRISE MERCANTILE

SUCCESSOR TO F. O. WARREN

116 East Main Street, Benton Harbor, Mich.

## JUST A FEW THINGS

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In Boston Harbor or St. Joseph.  
 Tariff Constructors.  
 proportion committee of the house to  
 ask for a paragraph in the sundry civil  
 size, tasteless, efficient, thorough.  
 As one man  
 Capital \$50,000.  
 Surplus \$40,000

**..Savings Department..**

**THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK**

**Save the Prisoners.**  
 tends the movement. It is intended to
 

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 12:06 3:57 2:45 St. Joseph 10:30 7:53 2:45  
 8:00 6:50 6:30 Chicago 7:30 5:00 11:30
 

**TO RUSH CAPES**  
 made for depositors. Letters of credit  
 and passage tickets furnished.
 

**S. M. AUSTIN**

FORMER PRICE	SALE PRICE	N. B.—Orders taken for Saturday
100	75	100
150	112	150
200	150	200
250	187	250
300	225	300
350	262	350
400	300	400
450	337	450
500	375	500
550	412	550
600	450	600
650	487	650
700	525	700
750	562	750
800	600	800
850	637	850
900	675	900
950	712	950
1000	750	1000

<p>...got to talking under the influence of things made for the legislation with best view and the business interests of the country at large</p>	<p>...cordiality with an abundance of them, and that the</p>	<p>...Taking effect January, 18th, 1887, trains will</p>	<p><b>VANDALIA LINE.</b></p>	<p>...of a <b>Black Cap</b>,.....</p>	<p>12 00</p>	<p>7 40</p>
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<b>BROWN'S</b>	<b>GUNS</b>	<b>8 98</b>	<b>and Restaurant.</b>
Business of the west on a government	Crushed Plush Capes.....	14 00	
prosperity, and urge their passage in			
the interests of commerce and Indus-			
tries into which the roses and violets			
has been wrought. A great cluster of			
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<b>M. J. HENDERSON</b>						
2 Plush Capes, full sweep,.....						16 50      11 00
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and away, and from there I carried  
were here yesterday to start the work  
house. Swanson's title to his seat was  
confirmed by an overwhelming viva  
FRANK K. HALE,  
Agent, St. Joseph.  
E. A. FORD,  
Gen. Pass. Agt.,

**H. B. ROEHM**

**DENTIST**

**BUCKWHEAT**

the committee.  
We also keep Buckwheat

**Benton Harbor, Mich.**

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...and no suit or proceedings at law having been  
...of the

The bridge were broken, our columns did not come, having been recalled, and given that on Tuesday, the 6th day of April, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon I shall sell all the stock which I own.

**POTERBAUGH & RAFF**

But what they were going to do was to get a lot of money from the people who were in the mountains and others joined the Union army. In view of these facts

...enough, though, to show  
TALKED OF A TARIFF COMMISSION.  
One Month from Today the White House  
Dated Jan. 6th, 1897.  
MELISSA E. TERRY, Mortgagor.  
Pigeons St., Benton Harbor, Mich.

away. To save myself and my family, thought, and now to save my family, and now to save

with Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Lamdin arranged with him to

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, made by Martin L.

SPEECHES IN THE SENATE AT THE

That was my cue. In a minute

...of PRINTERS...

And when it was about do-  
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tion. The luncheon usually given in  
in the White House by the retiring presi-  
page 56.  
On said mortgage there is claimed to be due  
as I read of this often four hundred and fifty

—WILL BEAT—

Only worth the money and reputation they've built up. Call and other members of congress the lives and property of persons much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage, with 8 per cent. interest.

Wednesday, Feb. 10, all day.

nish you hard

as the lowest.

Once on C. & W. M. Tracks at Paw Paw Ave Telephone 65-3 rings.

**Strictly Confidential.**

It is believed that this department would be in the line of forwarding general information to the general public and the

...was full, and in a few minutes  
...were lying around the little  
...domestic, and the general industries  
...and labor of the country, from which  
...Cadets Will Not Attend Inauguration.  
...ninety seven, Provost-Jacob A. Van Riper  
...Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate  
...blood.  
...EPILEPSY OR FITS positively cured by a  
...MRS. DR. M. A. FREEMAN,  
...Practices limited to diseases of Women and

These gentlemen will recommend to the league action in favor of pushing the legislative branch to keep the boys out of the liquor upstairs for another week. They will also urge the boys to get out of the liquor upstairs for another week. They will also urge the boys to get out of the liquor upstairs for another week.

to take care of the Indians  
the little girl, who is  
next month. They were assured  
by several members of congress  
to Washington.

**TUMORS AND CANCERS** cured without acids, knife, pain or scar. New method.

Washington, Feb. 4.—Representatives of the sugar growing interests are making a last effort to get the bill passed. They will give special attention to difficult cases and to cases other physicians have failed to cure. They will stop all trouble on us and we will stop all trouble on them. They are excellent.

...almost as well preserved  
claimers due them under the act passed  
in the last session of the thirty-third  
like the amendments they must be pretty  
good. I am for them."

to get the premiums to save them by the McKinley law but were cut off by the Wilson tariff act. The sugar trust has been formed there. The trust is organized to get the premiums, call and get prices my on groceries.







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Absolutely Pure  
Guaranteed for its great leavening strength and healthfulness. Assures the food against all forms of adulterations common to cheap brands.  
ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

There will be a regular meeting of the board of education this evening.

The steamers J. Gould and City of Duluth arrived at their docks this morning from Milwaukee with cargoes of grain.

The Modern Woodmen will have a meeting Saturday night to discuss the reserve fund. Neighbors of other camps are expected to be present.

A PLEASANT surprise was given Miss Lulu Altmendinger last evening by about fifteen of her young friends. Light refreshments were served.

The small audience in the court room today strangely contrasts with the crowd that thronged the abode of justice when the Mittan trial was proceeding.

The Universalist Sunday school will enjoy a sleighride Saturday afternoon. Meet at the church at 2 o'clock. Supper will be served in the church parlors after the ride.

NILES Star: The question to be solved by the American Express company now is, "Where is that \$2,000 which was lost?" Somebody has got it, and it will take a peculiar sharp detective to find it.

THE Misses Josie and Katie Hansen will furnish music for the Fair Plain Lyceum next Saturday evening. They will be assisted by several young ladies from Benton Harbor. The rollicko quartette are also expected to sing that evening.

A LODGEMENT of snow on the north roof of the circuit court room has caused portions of the frescoed ceiling to chip and become damaged in several places. Sheriff Ferguson had two men at work this forenoon removing the snow from the roof.

SUPERINTENDENT Mason objects to an item which appeared in THE NEWS Tuesday evening, which stated that the cutter of Mat Yore and a street car collided, demolishing the cutter. The conductors and motormen know nothing of the accident and consequently

superintendent can learn nothing of it. The item was published by the Detroit Free Press, and was signed by George F. Cunningham, Frank H. Mason, or Michael Murphy. The reason the crew of the car did not know of the accident was because the cutter slipped against the back of the car at the front part had passed.

## SOCIETY'S CORNER.

### What Benton Harbor People and Their Societies Are Doing.

Mrs. S. M. Heablos, of Decatur, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Asaph Woodruff, north of the Paw-Paw.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shaver, of Saugeauk, left this morning for that place after spending several weeks with relatives and friends.

J. Durnymple has gone south in the interests of M. George & Co., commission merchants. He will be back May 1.

Symes & Dudley Sued.

A suit by summons was commenced in the circuit court this morning by Thomas A. Walker against William E. Symes and George E. Dudley.

People with hair that is continually falling out, or those that are bald, can stop the falling, and get a good growth of hair by using Hall's Hair Renewer.

### Take Notice.

A. E. Nichols, the dime deliveryman, has changed his office from Lowe & House's drug store to Harry L. Bird's. Mr. Nichols says please try him at his new office and orders will receive more prompt attention. Phone 35, 3 rings. Orders may also be left at Michael & Beeny's.

### EARTH, THE MOTHER OF ALL.

To earth well founded, of all things that live Most ancient mother, I this song will give. She doth her nurture upon all bestow. On land, in air and in the sea below. With children and rich fruits, O thou divine, Men thou dost gladden! Life to give is thine. And thou dost take. When thou dost honor'st, Blessed with great store of all good things shall be.

Teemful the corn lands, in broad pastures roam Large herds, and filled with wealth is every hour. Just rulers in the city there will be. And beautiful dames and full prosperity. Young lads were lordly with joy's waving powers.

The little maidens on the soft field flowers, In festive dances join. Rich goddess, these Thy gifts to whom to honor thou dost please. All hail! O mother of the gods, hail! Thou spouse of the starry heaven, do thou endow. For meed of this my song, my minstrelsy. With might that shall all life make glad for me. And so fresh song will I attune in praise of thee.

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

WANTED A GOOD GIRL FOR GENERAL housework. Apply to C. R. Hollis, at jewelry store.

LOST A FEATHER BOA ON THE ROAD between East Clare and Benton Harbor. Finder please return to THE NEWS office and receive reward. 11015

LOST A PAIR OF EYE GLASSES WITH aluminum rims. Please return to this office. They were in a case. 11612

"In the Kingdom of the Shah," by Dr. Trencher Collier, the author tells of the origin of winemaking in Persia. It was during the reign of King Jamshood that the vineyards of Shiraz, as today, were noted for the superlative quality of the grapes they produced on account of the variations of temperature—the intense cold of winter and extreme heat of summer—to which they were subjected. King Jamshood was exceedingly fond of Shiraz grapes, and in order to enjoy them throughout the year conceived the idea of preserving them in a jar. Fermentation, of course, took place, and when the jar was opened and found to contain a quantity of acid liquid it was looked upon as poison by the king. He placed it in bottles and labeled it as such. On a certain occasion one of his female favorites, who was sorely afflicted with a nervous headache, discovered the bottles marked "poison" and swallowed the contents of one in the hope of putting an end to her life. The effect, however, was to throw her into a deep sleep, from which she awoke much refreshed. The result was so delightful that she frequently repeated the dose until all the supposed poison was consumed.

The king, who missed the bottles, caused inquiry to be made, and the secret of their disappearance was revealed. This led to the manufacture of a wine from Shiraz grapes, which to this day is known as Zeher-e-Khoosh, or "the delightful poison." The laws of the Koran against the use of spirituous liquors are generally very rigidly observed, particularly among the poorer classes. Dr. Collier says that he never saw an intoxicated Mohammedan, even among the chavandars, men who do the most laborious work. Unlike their western prototypes, who cannot exist without beer or spirits, they refresh themselves only with a suck at a hubble bubble pipe or a cup of very strong, sweet, hot tea in either the sweltering heat of summer or the intense cold of winter. Tipping in Persia is confined exclusively to the richer classes and indulged in only in the recreation of the afternoon. The Persians make two sorts of wine, a red and a white. The latter contains an excess of alcohol and is in greater favor with those who indulge in secret drinking. Arrack, a crude, fiery spirit, is likewise distilled. It is probable that when Persia has railroads and the vineyards of Shiraz become accessible, the superior quality of the grapes for winemaking will attract the attention of western manufacturers.

### The Needle and the Pin.

A pin and a needle, being neighbors in a workbasket and both being idle folks, began to quarrel, as idle folks are apt to do.

"I should like to know," said the pin, "what you are good for and how you expect to get through the world without a head?"

"What is the use of your

"What is the use of your head?" asked the pin. "If there is always something to be done, I am more active and can go through more work than you can," said the needle.

"You, but you will not live long because you have always a stitch in your side," said the pin.

"You are a poor, crooked creature," said the needle.

"And you are so proud that you cannot bend without breaking your back," said the pin.

"I'll pull your head off if you insult me again."

"I'll pull your eye out if you touch me. Remember, your life hangs on a single thread," said the pin.

While they were thus conversing a little girl entered and, undertaking to sew, she very soon broke off the needle at the eye. She then tied the thread around the neck of the pin, and, attempting to sew with it, she soon pulled its head off and threw it into the dirt by the side of the broken needle.

"Well, here we are," said the needle.

"We have nothing to fight about now," said the pin. "It seems misfortune has brought us to our senses."

"A pity we had not come to them sooner," said the needle. "How much we resemble human beings, who quarrel about their blessings till they lose them and never find out they are brothers till they lie down in the dust together, as we do!"—Household Words.

Quite Another Sort of Man.

A distinguished divine of unusually solemn and impressive appearance went to a country town to lecture. He arrived early in the afternoon, and all the town, of course, spotted him within five minutes as a very great and very saintly man. He went into a chemist's shop and in tones that froze the young blood of the shopman said:

"Young—man—do—you—smoke?"

"Yes, sir," said the trembling clerk. "I'm sorry, but I learned the habit young and haven't been able to leave it off."

"Then," said the great divine without the movement of a muscle or the abatement of a shade of the awful solemnity of his voice, "can you tell me where I can get a good cigar?"—Pearson's Weekly.

The Feminine Instinct.

"I admit that as yet woman is not absolutely certain of her sphere," said the high browed lady.

"I thought as much," said the base man. "If she felt that it was really and truly her own, she would already have had it decorated with pink ribbons."—Indianapolis Journal.

Whistler's Delicious Conceit.

An old lady, landing up the Thames scenery, said to Whistler, "The whole trip along the river was like a series of your superb etchings."

"Yes," he replied; "nature is creeping up."—McClure's Magazine.

White Cross, there has now been a rebellion in Vienna, a new order, as it is known as the Green Cross. Its object is to give succor to Alpine climbers and excursionists in mountain regions. It originated in the Austrian Alpine club. The intention is to establish huts on high mountains and to keep supplies and relief stores or boxes containing articles likely to be required in emergencies at conveniently located points.

### Alfred the Great.

According to the most reliable English historians, Alfred the Great, in 873, was the first English sovereign to wear a crown. From early inscriptions and historical records it appears that the Saxons before the time of Alfred wore simply a band of pearls around the head as a mark of royal power.

The morning glory has long been regarded as an emblem of coquetry. One floral dictionary declares that this symbolism is derived from the extremely transient nature of the flowers. They bloom about sunrise and in two or three hours have perished.

The Jersey City Woman's club publishes a little newspaper called Our Club Outlook.

Groceries cheap for cash at Dave Ryan's.

"Now good digestion wait on appetite and health on both." Use Washburn's Gold Medal flour—all good grocers sell it. 1501

Pure Californian wines 35 cents per quart bottle at Hall & Nichols.

### Lake Sailors Will Fight It.

Detroit News: "Congressman Corlies is likely to lose the laurels won by his immigration bill in his efforts to wipe out the marine postoffice," said an old lake captain yesterday. "That postoffice is essential for the benefit of 20,000 common sailors. Captains and owners of boats will communicate some way but the only chance the common sailor, or petty officer, has to send or receive messages from friends is the marine postoffice. It would be too bad if it were abolished. At Buffalo, Cleveland and Chicago sailors and engineers are preparing to fight the Corlies measure."

### More Praise for Mr. Enders' Work.

A. J. Enders, Coloma, Mich. Dear Sir: The granite monument you have lately erected at the Pipestone cemetery contracted for by me not only gives high satisfaction but I must say you have more than filled your contract. The design and workmanship is most neat and artistic and I am so well pleased with it that with great pleasure I can recommend to my friends that they call on you whenever they may desire anything in your line.

Yours truly, THEODORE CLARK. Pipestone, Mich.

Have you got good tectry? Stick them into Bird's Blue Lady. Bird always sells the best.

What is the use of your head? If there is always something to be done, I am more active and can go through more work than you can, said the needle.

For Helen Livingston there remained hardly one more year of happy girlhood, free to go and come, dance and be merry, in the old innocent girlhood fashion, for at that time betrothal was as sacred as marriage itself and much more restrictive of privilege. That in the domain of girlhood was lost and that of the matron had not come. If the lover were present, of course these restrictions were not felt; but in his absence the poor girl had little more liberty than a Hindoo widow. She must not accept even the most ordinary attentions from any man, must dance with no one except her father or brother, and she must always wear, conspicuously displayed, hanging from her neck face outward, the miniature of her future husband.

These miniatures were often skillfully painted on ivory and were usually oval in shape and about 8 1/2 inches by 3 1/2 in size, without counting the gold frames, which were sometimes quite heavy. The broad remarks which it was considered in order for even chance acquaintances to address to the fiancée upon sight of this badge of appropriation were intolerable to Helen Livingston, and rather than subject herself to them she resolutely refrained from accepting an invitation even to her loved "Cousin Chancellor's" during the few months of her engagement, which ended in a happy marriage in the spring of 1890.

On one occasion, when a large and most interesting company of American and foreign guests was expected at Glenmont, Helen vainly sought her mother's permission to attend without wearing the telltale portrait. Finding that this would not be allowed and realizing that her sister's disappointment would be great, "Sister Patty," only 18, but already tall and stately, heroically volunteered to wear the obnoxious picture, personating its rightful owner. But the innocent fraud was not permitted, and as Helen would not go if obliged to wear the miniature, she was compelled to relinquish the coveted pleasure. Of course the boy lover—he was barely 21—was in no way responsible for this custom, which he subsequently often and justly characterized as odious, and I think that he never liked to see the miniature which had been the means of depriving of ever so small a pleasure a woman whom he idolized through a long life.—"A Group of American Girls Early in the Century," by Helen Eversson Smith, in Century.

### Paid For.

"Mrs. Cumrox's children seem to be very fond of their school," remarked one woman.

"What makes you think so?"

"They are always speaking of their 'dear teacher.'"

"Oh, Mr. Cumrox insists on that! He says that, considering how much he pays for extra tuition, it's only proper."

—Washington Star.

## WEEDER AND CULTIVATOR.

The greatest labor saving machine of the day. No farmer can afford to be without a weeder. It will make him money. Send for catalogue.

A sample of the New Dearing Binder and Mower for '97 now on the floor which we shall be pleased to show to all interested.



### A Disappointed Lover

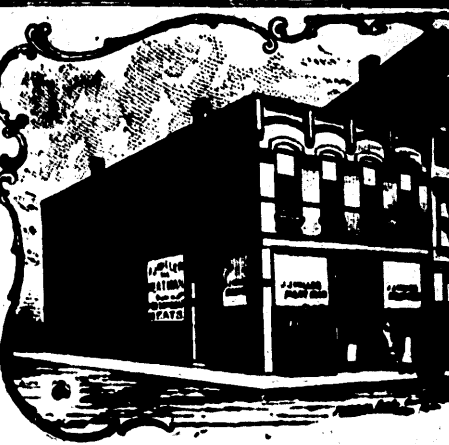
Is the man who starts out with his heart beating as merrily as his sleigh bells to take his sweetheart out for a sleigh ride, and has to return because the traces of his sleigh have broken or the runners have spread! Don't take any such risks! We will sell you a new style, handsome Portland sleigh, either single or double, at such a low price that they will meet the purses of all.

## AS TO HARNESS

We are strictly in it. No old shop worn goods. All hand made from the best material and made at 155-157 Pipestone street. Call and see the material they are made from and have one built to suit you. All kinds of harness repairing neatly and promptly done. We are here to serve you.

W. C. Hovey, 155-157 Pipestone Street.

## Benton Harbor MEAT and Provision HOUSE.



We change our add to say that we have the largest stock we have ever carried in the city. If you want high-priced beef steak, we simply say we have it; if you are looking for low prices we are the place. We have the stock, the assortment and we fear no competition in our line.

If you want a quart of oysters, solid meats, we have them.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

J. J. MILLER, The Meat Man.



# Our Way of Selling...

## ...Dry Goods and Clothing

Is not to let them linger too long. If a loss must be taken there's no hesitation. Below is a list of seasonable goods we will let go of at a loss.

<p>♣♣♣</p> <p><b>Ladies' Twilled Serge Wrappers</b> at 69 cents each.</p> <p>♣♣♣</p>	<p><b>DRESS GOODS DEP'T.</b></p> <p>All Wool Ladies' Cloth . . . . .</p> <p>All Wool Serges . . . . .</p> <p>All Wool Henriettas . . . . .</p> <p><b>19c Per Yard...</b></p>	<p>♣♣♣</p> <p><b>Ladies' Flannelette Night Gowns</b> at 49 cents each.</p> <p>♣♣♣</p>
<p><b>Blanket Department</b></p> <p>One line of Blankets to close at</p> <p><b>29 Cents Per Pair.</b></p>	<p><b>Linen Department</b></p> <p>We bought two cases of LINEN TOWELING and we are going to let go of them at</p> <p><b>25 YARDS FOR \$1.00.</b></p>	<p><b>Jacket Department</b></p> <p>Any Jacket or Cape at just</p> <p><b>One-Half Price.</b></p>
<p><b>SHAWL DEPARTMENT</b>—All of our fine shawls, worth up to \$6.50 each, we will let go of for \$3 each.</p> <p><b>CLOTHING DEPT.</b>—Men's suits, worth up to \$6.50 at \$3.50; Men's suits, worth up to \$10, at \$5.50; Men's suits, worth up to \$13.50 at \$7.50; Men's suits worth up to \$16.50 at \$10.</p> <p>We have just received our new spring line of Dress Novelties, Wash Goods, White Goods, etc.</p> <p><b>SHEPARD &amp; BENNING</b></p> <p><b>ST. JOSEPH.</b></p>		





## Our Prices

Are Being Ground Down Very Fine.

All Next Week

1-4 Off Sale

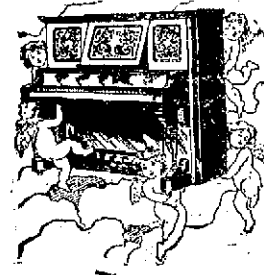
Will Continue in the Stationery Department.

We have upwards of \$1,000 in tablets, school cards, Sunday school cards, miscellaneous books, box papeteries, letter paper, typewriter supplies, slates, pencils, and a quantity of soaps that are in the way.

One-Fourth Off Sale

Open from Monday to Saturday.

Lowe &amp; Rouse



Start the New Year

with a piano—you'll find it easier and pleasanter to live with a little music to brighten your ways now and then. Think of the instruction and culture it will bring to the children—think how they will thank you for it when they grow older. Don't think about the cost—before you commence to worry, drop in and see what we have.

J. J. OSBORN,

## Cough

Your head off most. Use Hopkins' W. P. Expectorant.

## Cold

Feet makes you face cold in other parts of the body. You do not realize it at the time but it comes.

## and

You sneeze, that is a sure indication that you can expect trouble and possibly

Consumption

Not a very flattering outlook for a paying job. If you notice any of these symptoms call for something to cure them at

HOPKINS' DRUG STORE

Old Oscar Pepper Whisky and Spring Valley Port Wine.

## MANY CRYING EVILS.

R. I. Jarvis Depicts the Blasting Effect of the Competition of Convict Labor.

A HINDRANCE TO PROSPERITY.

What Might Have Proved a Great Industry for Benton Harbor Ruined by Unjust System.

Roman I. Jarvis in a speech delivered before the members of the Bimetallic club last night declared that convict labor, under the present system of management stood in the way of the country's prosperity as much as any other condition prevailing. Before the people arrived at a proper analysis of this question and make the application of a remedy they cannot hope to witness the dawn of better or kinder days.

Mr. Jarvis believed with many penologists that first the laws should be altered so as to permit the convicts to make restitution to their victims as far as practicable. A murderer of course could not make restitution but only a very small per cent of the prison population were murderers. The greatest evil of convict labor was the ruinous competition into which it came with free labor. Hundreds of factories employing honest labor had been driven into bankruptcy and thousands of men thrown out of employment by the criminal labor under which the products of prison labor were unloaded on the market. As an instance establishing the truth of this statement the speaker referred to the fact that as a result of the introduction of the manufacturing of chairs in the Detroit house of correction every chair factory in Michigan was obliged to discharge its hands and close its doors. They could not meet the prices at which the chairs manufactured by convict labor procured by ruthless contractors at 30 cents were placed on the market. The speaker's own experience with convict labor was related. He had plotted in Benton Harbor the germ of an institution that had every promise of developing into an industry of large proportions where hundreds of hands might now be given daily employment had not the damaging and blasting effects of convict labor been encountered. He was manufacturing shoes, the sale of which was rapidly being extended when J. D. Pratt appeared in the shoe market with goods manufactured at Michigan City by convict labor procured at 30 cents per day. These goods were sold at 83 per cent less than the speaker was obliged to demand for the products of his institution which employed honest labor.

One of the reforms in the country's penal institution advocated by the speaker was the suspended sentence system. He would have the young offender who appeared before a tribunal for sentence kindly admonished and released with the understanding that he must make restitution to the man he injured, and further that upon his appearance in court to answer for a crime he would be punished. This would gradually reduce the population of prisons and necessarily lessen the products of prison labor.

Hard labor was suggested as another remedy of the evil of convict labor. The Eastern Pennsylvania prison had adopted this system with highly satisfactory results. With the abandonment of the manufacturing of goods and the universal adoption of hard labor competition with free labor would be reduced to the smallest minimum. Between 15 and 16 grades were taught and carried on in prisons, depriving the honest followers of these various trades of the profit of employment and unjustly denying them of the comfort and success enjoyed by their fellow citizens whose trades or occupations are not carried on in prisons and consequently not affected by prison labor.

A reduction of the hours of labor by convicts was suggested as another mode of alleviating the evils of prison labor. The speaker would have the convicts labor six hours per day and devote the remainder of their time to intellectual improvement. This would advance the mental condition of the convicts and also reduce the amount of goods distributed from prisons. Further the state should have control of prison manufacturing. The present system of hiring the convicts to contractors was unsatisfactory principally because it lacked reformatory principles. The contractors paid 30 to 40 cents per day for their labor and then cut prices on their goods to secure a market, a condition which should be made a crime. If the contract system must continue then a law should be enacted preventing the contractors from disposing of their dishonestly made goods at less than the market price. With the state controlling the convict labor the prisoners could be used in improving the roads and manufacturing all that the state institution consumed, thus benefiting the public.

The surplus of the convict's labor above the amount required to maintain him at the prison Mr. Jarvis would have sent home to the prisoner's family. With this fact in mind that a portion of his earnings were going toward the relief of his family the gray hairs of the prison and its hardships would seem less gloomy to the convict. The speaker grew animated and in a despatched earnest voice declared that his chances in life had been injured by damnable competition of convict labor. Rigidity of punishment, declared Mr. Jarvis, does not lessen crime. The more lenient the punishment the fewer

will be the crimes. The speaker insisted that the country was retrograding, that despite the claims of improved legislation crime was increasing. In 1850 when the United States had a population of 23,000,000 there were 10,000 convicts in the prisons of the country. The prison population had increased until 1890 when the country had a population of 65,000,000 there were 75,000 prisoners.

Quoting Justice, the speaker asked, "How long will it be under the present reformatory system before we will be a nation of criminals?" The boasted progress of the country was all a hoax and without a remedy to meet these prison wrongs and alleviate the evil of the system, the country could look for no improvement.

The proper remedy was the selection of statesmen for lawmakers; men who talked less of foreign affairs and devoted more time to the formation of laws for the protection of the struggling inhabitants of their own country. When the fact appeared that crime is increasing not a man on the floor of congress had raised his voice in behalf of suffering humanity.

## LUCKY ACCIDENT.

F. J. Soule Had An Exciting Experience This Morning.

F. J. Soule, the grocer, was hurried from his enter with violent force this morning and escaped serious injury by the narrowest margin. He was driving north on Pipestone street and at the Episcopal church met one of the Union Ice & Coal company's delivery wagon. The horse was moving at a moderately lively rate. Mr. Soule supposed that the delivery wagon would cross the car tracks to the right side of the street. He discovered too late that the driver of the heavy wagon intended to remain on the left side of the street and to avoid a direct collision. Mr. Soule turned his horse sharply to the right. The cutter came in contact with a telegraph pole, throwing the occupant out onto the icy surface with great violence. The horse then ran away and was recovered near the Methodist church detached from the cutter. Neither Mr. Soule or the horse was injured. The only damage to the cutter was a broken fender.

## CLAIMS HE WAS TAKEN IN.

General Alger Starts a Big Lawsuit in the South.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Feb. 4.—The case of General Russell A. Alger vs. Anderson was heard before Judge Clark in the federal court Tuesday. The suit grew out of a "boom" coal land deal. Through his agent and a local real estate firm, Gen. Alger bought the right of way, consisting of about 25,000 acres in Franklin county, for \$140,000, paying a large amount in cash.

The general claims that the real estate dealers bribed his agent to make false reports, and that the land is practically worthless. He sues for the recovery of the amount paid, and release from contract. The decision was reserved.

## Probate Court.

In the matter of Hickory Creek drain John E. Burbaugh, county drain commissioner, filed his petition for the appointment by the court of three special commissioners to determine the necessity of constructing said drain, and award damages to those who have not released the right of way. Hearing February 24 at 10 a. m.

Estate of Floyd E. Hawks, minor. Clyde Hawks, guardian of said minor, filed his petition for license to sell the real estate of said minor, and invest the proceeds at interest. Hearing March 1 at 10 a. m.

## Amos Entertainment.

Friday night, February 5, at Conkey's hall at 8 o'clock sharp the gentlemen of the Universalist church will give an entertainment with the following program:

Organ.....Vocalist Orchestra  
Reading.....S. A. Barber  
Concert Solo.....Fred Nall  
Aerobatics.....John Schaefer  
Mimes.....W. A. Brady  
Mysterious Finale in which all sorts of things will occur.

## Real Estate Transfers.

A. T. Gird to Nicholas Kyrone, lot 109, Lacy's second addition, Niles. \$25.  
Starch C. Culver to Rayton E. Gridley, property in Three Oaks tp. \$14.  
Hosue B. Gridley to Edward S. Cadwell, 20 acres in Three Oaks tp. \$400.  
Edward S. Cadwell to A. Eckert, 20 acres in Three Oaks tp. \$1.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair.

DR.

**PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER**  
MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. 40 Years the Standard.

## WHO WILL GET IT?

Lawyers Explain to Judge Coolidge Who Is Entitled to the Mittan Money.

LOTS OF TROUBLE FOR B. F. EARL

Judge Coolidge Will Keep the Disputed Money Until Litigation Over It Ceases.

After The News had gone to press yesterday Col. B. Bacon, representing the American express company, made a motion before Judge Coolidge that the \$850 now in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Earl and which was received from Miss Edwards by Superintendent Smith of the express company be handed over to the court, pending proceedings which the express company have instituted for its recovery. He quoted several rulings and supreme court decisions sustaining his argument.

Mr. Lamborn, who with Hon. F. L. Hamilton appeared for Mittan, said that at the preliminary hearing it was agreed by the prosecution and defense that the money be placed in the custody of Deputy Sheriff Earl as they were opposed to Superintendent Smith traveling around the country with the money in his possession. He considered that it was within the jurisdiction of the court to dispose of the money and hand it over to his client, for the verdict in the criminal case decided the right of the property. Smith obtained the money by going to Miss Edwards and stating that Mittan had confessed which was a monstrous lie. That is the way Smith got possession of the money. Let the express company sue Mittan if it wished, they were ready for them. The money is Mittan's and he is entitled to it. "Smith got the money by fraud and deceit," said Mr. Hamilton. "The express company is not entitled to it."

Judge Coolidge said the express company had a right to be heard and he would not order the money to be paid over without a hearing. "After the termination of the criminal case," said Judge Coolidge, "Mr. Earl asked the court what he should do with the \$950 found in Mittan's trunk and I told him to hand it over to the defendant. It is a question now whether I had a right to do so. The title of the property has not been decided. Mr. Earl is now exposed to two suits and if he ordered the money paid to Mittan he could still be sued by the express company."

The court ordered that the money be lodged with the register in chancery pending proceedings.

## Other Court News.

In the case of Dick Lanting against the West Michigan nurseries, assigned for trial yesterday the plaintiff did not appear, and after impugning the jury the case was temporarily deferred. The case came up again this afternoon and after hearing the testimony of the plaintiff the court instructed the jury to render a verdict in favor of the defendants.

The judgment suit of George D. Fogle against Irving B. Hazard is occupying the circuit court today. The action is instituted to recover \$1,000 damages alleged to have been suffered by the plaintiff by reason of the defendant withholding from him the possession of certain lands in Royall township. L. C. Pyke and James O'Hara appear for the plaintiff and V. M. Gore for the defendant.

The Union bank of St. Joseph, was yesterday afternoon awarded a verdict of \$3,000 against the estate of Jane E. Martin. The bank sued to recover on a promissory note of \$2,500, upon which \$400 interest was due, executed by W. H. Hinkley and bearing the name of Jane E. Martin as surety. Sixty days were granted within which to prepare and settle a bill of exception.

## TWO CONVICTIONS.

Watervliet Young Men Suffer the Law's Force.

Emerson Lee, colored, and James Brown were convicted before a Watervliet justice of the peace yesterday, on the charge of assault and battery. They were sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 each and costs or be committed to the county jail for 60 days. Lee accepted the latter, and Brown paid the fine. It is alleged that they brutally assaulted Farmer Kelley and his sister whose home they entered by force. The evidence showed that they were intoxicated. Lee was received at the county jail today.

"I HAVE TAKEN HOOB'S PILLS for biliousness and disorders of the stomach and bowels and have always found them to be reliable."

Fred G. Cook, Watervliet, Mich. HOOB'S SASSAPARILLA is the one true blood purifier.

## Lester's Home Meal.

The season for home meal is at hand. For Joseph Lester's celebrated meal orders may be left with F. Rosch, Benton Harbor, C. H. FARMER, 40629 General Agent.

Q. What is sweeter than life? Ans. A box of Bird's candy. Bird always keeps the best.

Have you tried Moob's Pro Patria cigars? Worth the gold for \$5. Stamped Pro Patria. A cool, sweet, satisfying smoke. George Moob & Co., manufacturers, Detroit.

## THAT BRIBERY TALK.

Judge Coolidge Referred to It in Court This Morning.

If the intimations of bribery with reference to the Mittan jury are investigated, it will be by Prosecutor Valentine. Mr. Valentine reported the stories to Judge Coolidge, and it was the impression of the judge that it was a matter which belonged entirely to the duties of the prosecuting attorney. Judge Coolidge this morning before entering upon the routine business of the circuit court, took occasion to correct the impression that he had taken any steps toward an inquiry, up to this time, but did not state what his intentions were concerning such an investigation.

Prosecuting Attorney Valentine has not looked into the matter sufficiently to decide whether an inquiry is warranted. The stories concerning the alleged bribery are known to him, but their reliability he has not attempted to establish. Further than laying the facts as given him before Judge Coolidge, he has done nothing.

## COLOMA MERCHANTS.

They Will Hold High Carnival Next Saturday.

COLOMA, Feb. 4.—The merchants of this village are preparing for a magnificent carnival to occur next Saturday. It is anticipated that it will be one of the grandest industrial displays ever witnessed in the country.

The merchants will be assisted in carrying out the various features by the farmers of the surrounding community. They will aid in completing the parade which will consist of gorgeously decorated wagons, representing numerous industries, with here and there a comic creation to relieve the monotony.

The course covered by the parade extends from Coloma to Watervliet and return.

## NEWS OF THE STATE.

Mrs. J. K. Ritter, one of the directors of the First National bank at Cassopolis, and mother of the cashier, committed suicide Sunday, by hanging. The woman was slightly deranged. She was a leader in church work, and her death was a shock to the community.

Capitalists from northern Michigan are in Holland and say an electric road will be built from that place to Douglas, via Mecatawa park and Saugatuck. Cars will be running by August 1.

Miss Camp, a dressmaker of Kalamazoo, took her own life with suicidal intent. Physicians pulled her out of danger. She refused to give a reason for her desire to join the great majority.

## THE HOSPITAL FUND.

It Is Growing With Flattering Rapidity.

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## Notice

Have left all outstanding accounts with O. S. Chapman for collection. Those not finding Mr. Chapman can pay to Frank Burr at Baker's hardware store.

DON WENTWORTH.

## NEW STATE NORMAL.

An Effort on Foot to Locate Such An Institution in Benton Harbor.

OUR LOCATION IS JUST RIGHT.

If Any More State Schools Are Planted We Are In Line for One.

A bill for introduction in the legislature has been sent to representative Van Camp from some of the leading citizens of Benton Harbor. The bill provides for the appropriation of \$35,000 for the building of a state normal school in this city, \$25,000 of the appropriation to be used in the erection and furnishing of such building and \$5,000 to be used in running the institution the first year and a like amount to be expended in the same manner the second year.

There are before the legislature at the present time or will be introduced this session a multitude of bills calling for state normal schools, a great majority of which are to be located in the Upper Peninsula. It is not known whether the legislature will favorably consider this demand for more state schools but if they do it is certain that the chance of Benton Harbor will be ahead of any other place now in the race. The school at this place would be called the state normal school for Southwestern Michigan.

It is not known whether the present bill will result in any immediate fruit or not but it will have the effect of bringing Benton Harbor before the state as the original applicant for a school in a district which has been very much neglected by the state.

It is to be hoped that even this year the legislature may take favorable action for in all such matters the state board of education would be called in consultation with the legislature in regard to the location of all such schools. As Prof. E. A. Wilson is president of the state board of education it is very easy to see that Benton Harbor would have an easy line of it in securing such a school should it be the policy of the legislature to establish more than we already have.

## THE SPRING STYLES.

Ladies Should Read Next Sunday's Chicago Tribune.

Ladies who desire enlightenment on the spring styles should purchase next Sunday's Chicago Tribune which will be on sale at Hall & Nichols. It will contain a signed article by Ch. Deceoll of Vienna, costumer to the imperial family of Austria, on coming spring styles. He will describe what will be fashionable in street and traveling gowns, how jackets are to be trimmed, what hats will be worn and how they will be trimmed. He will describe a gown designed for a Vienna leader of fashion. The illustration next Sunday will be the model of a street costume designed for the coming season by Deceoll.

Ladies who desire a number of this interesting edition of the Tribune are invited to leave their order at Hall & Nichols at once.

## HELD TO THE CIRCUIT COURT.

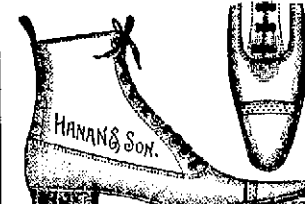
William Canton and J. C. Howard Waived Examination.

William Canton and J. C. Howard, arrested on the charge of burglarizing a store at Riverside and Coloma, and in whose possession was found sundry articles belonging to a burglar's kit, waived examination before Justice Graves this afternoon and were held to the circuit court for trial.

"One touch of nature makes the whole world kin," and one taste of Bird's candy makes a man feel at ease with himself and his mother-in-law. Bird always keeps the best.

## For New Year's

We are prepared to assist you in your wants in the way of



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We will show a new line of spring dress goods, 28-inch plaids, at 15c a yard; 42-inch all wool plaids, silk effects at 50c a yard; all wool novelties at 20c and 25c a yard.

See our stock of new spring prints at 5c and 6c a yard.

## GROCERIES

22 lbs. G. sugar, \$1.00. Eggs, 15c per dozen.

Gold Lace flour, \$4.25 a barrel.

Best spring wheat flour, \$4.50 bbl. 9 bars Jaxon soap, 25c.

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Having more goods than money we are awful anxious to exchange. In order to do so we expect to sacrifice. But that cuts no figure

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29 cents.

A new line of SPRING PRINTS have arrived at

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## BUSINESS LEAGUE.

### Chicago Scheme to Assist the

#### Tariff Constructors.

### THE PURPOSE OF ITS ORIGINATORS.

#### Peck and Elia at the Capital to Explain the

#### Sugar Men Proposed Which Shall Have

#### an Influence for Stable Business Condi-

#### tions—Sugar Growers Moving on Con-

#### gress for That Purpose.

#### Washington, Feb. 4.—Last week

#### there was formed in Chicago as a re-

#### sult of the efforts of a number of that

#### city's most prominent business men

#### the "National Business League." The

#### plan of the organization contemplates

#### in scope a vast league whose influ-

#### ence would be powerful if success at-

#### tends the movement. It is intended

#### to organize branches in all the larger

#### commercial and industrial centers to

#### co-operate with the main body of the

#### league, whose headquarters at present

#### are in Chicago. Circulars to effect the

#### formation of these co-ordinate bodies

#### already have been sent. The object

#### of the league is to learn what federal

#### legislation will best aid the busi-

#### ness interests of the country at large

#### and then to use the influence of the

#### league to bring to the attention of

#### congress measures in line with busi-

#### ness interests, and urge their passage

#### in the interests of commerce and in-

#### dustrial progress. The league is to be

#### non-partisan and non-political.

#### List of the League Officers.

#### The officers, citizens of Chicago, are

#### as follows: President, Earl W. Peck;

#### vice-president, Joseph A. Elia; secre-

#### tary, Clifford A. Gilbert; attorney, John

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## LOCAL BREVITIES.

THERE will be a regular meeting of the board of education this evening.

THE steamer J. Gould and City of Duluth arrived at their docks this morning from Milwaukee with cargoes of grain.

THE Modern Woodmen will have a meeting Saturday night to discuss the reserve fund. Neighbors of other camps are expected to be present.

A PLEASANT surprise was given Miss Lulu Allmendinger last evening by about fifteen of her young friends. Light refreshments were served.

THE small audience in the court room today strangely contrasts with the crowd that thronged the abode of justice when the Miltan trial was proceeding.

THE Universalist Sunday school will enjoy a sleighride Saturday afternoon. Meet at the church at 2 o'clock. Supper will be served in the church parlors after the ride.

NILES Star: The question to be solved by the American Express company now is, "Where is that \$2,000 which was lost?" Somebody has got it, and it will take a peculiar sharp detective to find it.

THE Misses Josie and Katie Hansen will furnish music for the Fair Plain Lyceum next Saturday evening. They will be assisted by several young ladies from Benton Harbor. The college quartette are also expected to sing that evening.

A LODGEMENT of snow on the north roof of the circuit court room has caused portions of the frescoed ceiling to chip and become damaged in several places. Sheriff Ferguson had two men at work this forenoon removing the snow from the roof.

SUPERINTENDENT Mason objects to an item which appeared in THE NEWS Tuesday evening, which stated that the cutter of Mt. Yore and a street car collided, demolishing the cutter. The conductors and motormen know nothing of the accident and consequently

Mr. Mason thought it was not so. The superintendent can learn the item as published was true by calling on George E. Cunningham, Frank Wharton, or Michael Murphy. The reason the crew of the car did not know of the accident was because the cutter slipped against the back of the car at the front part had passed.

## SOCIETY'S CORNER.

What Benton Harbor People and Their Societies Are Doing.

Mrs. S. M. Hables, of Decatur, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Asaph Woodruff, north of the Paw Paw.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shaver, of Sanga-tuck, left this morning for that place after spending several weeks with relatives and friends.

J. Daley, who has gone south in the interests of M. George & Co., commission merchants. He will be back May 1.

### Synthes & Dudley Meet.

A suit by summons was commenced in the circuit court this morning by Thomas A. Walker against William E. Synthes and George E. Dudley.

People with hair that is continually falling out, or those that are bald, can stop the falling, and get a good growth of hair by using Hall's Hair Renewer.

### Take Notice.

A. E. Nichols, the dime deliveryman, has changed his office from Love & Rouse's drug store to Harry L. Bird's. Mr. Nichols says please try him at his new office and orders will receive more prompt attention. Phone 45, 3 flags. Orders may also be left at Michael & Boney's.

### EARTH, THE MOTHER OF ALL.

To earth we'll fanned, of all things that live most ancient mother, I this song will give. She clothed her mantle upon all below. On land, in air and in the sea below. With children and rich trails, O thou divine. Men thou dost gladden. Life to give is thine. And time to take. When thou dost honor be blessed with great store of all good things shall be.

Teemful the corn lands, in broad pastures roam large herds, and filled with wealth is every house. Just rulers in the city there will be. And beautiful dams and full prosperity. Young lads wax lordly with joy's waxing powers. The little maidens on the soft field flowers in festive dances join. Rich goddess, then. Thy gifts to whom to honor thou dost please. All hail O mother of the gods, hail! Thou spouse of the happy heaven, do thou endow. For mood of this my song, my ministry. With might that shall all lifequake glad for me. And so fresh song will I attune in praise of thee.

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

WANTED-A GOOD GILL FOR CEMENTAL housework. Apply to C. B. Hollis, at jewelry store. 6417

LOST-A FEATHER BOA ON THE ROAD between San Chair and Benton Harbor. Finder please return to THE NEWS office and receive reward. 4166

LOST-A PAIR OF EYE GLASSES WITH aluminum rims. Please return to this office. They were in a case. 4163

## THE "DELIGHTFUL POISON."

Favorite Manner in Which Wine-making in Persia Originated.

"In the Kingdom of the Shah," by Dr. Trencher Collins, the author tells of the origin of wine-making in Persia. It was during the reign of King Jamshod that the vineyards of Shiraz, as today, were noted for the superlative quality of the grapes they produced on account of the variations of temperature—the intense cold of winter and extreme heat of summer—to which they were subjected. King Jamshod was exceedingly fond of Shiraz grapes, and in order to enjoy them throughout the year conceived the idea of preserving them in a jar. Fermentation, of course, took place, and when the jar was opened and found to contain a quantity of acid liquid it was looked upon as poison by the king. He placed it in bottles and labeled it as such. On a certain occasion one of his female favorites, who was sorely afflicted with a nervous humbleness, discovered the bottles marked "poison" and swallowed the contents of one in the hope of putting an end to her life. The effect, however, was to throw her into a deep sleep, from which she awoke much refreshed. The result was so delightful that she frequently repeated the dose until all the supposed poison was consumed.

The King, who missed the bottles, caused inquiry to be made, and the secret of their disappearance was revealed. This led to the manufacture of a wine from Shiraz grapes, which to this day is known as Zohar-o-Khosh, or "the delightful poison." The laws of the Koran against the use of spirituous liquors are generally very rigidly observed, particularly among the poorer classes. Dr. Collins says that he never saw an intoxicated Mohammedan, even among the cavaliers, men who do the most laborious work. Unlike their western prototypes, who cannot exist without beer or spirits, they refresh themselves only with a suck at a humble bubble-pipe or a cup of very strong, sweet, hot tea in either the sweltering heat of summer or the intense cold of winter. Tippling in Persia is confined exclusively to the richer classes and indulged in only in the seclusion of the harem. The Persians make two sorts of wine, a red and a white. The latter contains an excess of alcohol and is in greater favor with those who indulge in secret drinking. Arack, a crude, fiery spirit, is likewise distilled. It is probable that when Persia became accessible, the vineyards of Shiraz became accessible, the superior quality of the grapes for wine-making will attract the attention of western manufacturers.

### The Needle and the Pin.

A pin and a needle, being neighbors in a workbasket and both being little folks, began to quarrel, as little folks are apt to do.

"I should like to know," said the pin, "what you are good for and how you expect to get through the world without a head?"

"What is the use of an eye," said the pin, "if there is always something in it?"

"I am more active and can go through more work than you can," said the needle.

"Yes, but you will not live long because you have always a stitch in your side," said the pin.

"You are a poor, crooked creature," said the needle.

"And you are so proud that you cannot bend without breaking your back," said the pin.

"I'll pull your head off if you insult me again."

"I'll pull your eye out if you touch me. Remember, your life hangs on a single thread," said the pin.

While they were thus conversing a little girl entered and, undertaking to sew, she very soon broke off the needle at the eye. She then tied the thread around the neck of the pin, and, attempting to sew with it, she soon pulled its head off and threw it into the dirt by the side of the broken needle.

"Well, here we are," said the needle. "We have nothing to fight about now," said the pin. "It seems unfortunate has brought us to our senses."

"A pity we had not come to them sooner," said the needle. "How much we resemble human beings, who quarrel about their blessings till they lose them and never find out they are brothers till they lie down in the dust together, as we do!"—Household Words.

### Quite Another Sort of Man.

A distinguished divine of unusually solemn and impressive appearance vent to a country town to lecture. He arrived early in the afternoon, and all the towns, of course, spotted him within five minutes as a very great and very saintly man. He went into a chemist's shop and in tones that froze the young blood of the shopman said:

"Young-man—do—you—smoke?"

"Y-yes, sir," said the trembling clerk. "I'm sorry, but I learned the habit young and haven't been able to leave it off."

"Then," said the great divine without the movement of a muscle or the abatement of a shade of the awful solemnity of his voice, "can you tell me where I can get a good cigar?"—Pearson's Weekly.

### The Feminine Instinct.

"I admit that as yet woman is not absolutely certain of her sphere," said the high-browed lady.

"I thought as much," said the bass man. "If she felt that it was really and truly her own, she would already have had it decorated with pink ribbons."—Indianapolis Journal.

### Whistler's Delicous Conceit.

An old lady, lauding up the Thames scenery, said to Whistler, "The whole trip along the river was like a series of your superb clothings."

"Yes," he replied; "nature is creeping up."—McClure's Magazine.

## The Green Cross.

In addition to the Red Cross and the White Cross there has just been established in Vienna a new order, to be known as the Green Cross. Its object is to give succor to Alpine climbers and excursionists in mountain regions. It originated in the Austrian Alpine club. The intention is to establish huts on high mountains and to keep supplies and relief stores or boxes containing articles likely to be required in emergencies at conveniently located points.

### Alfred the Great.

According to the most reliable English historians, Alfred the Great, in 873, was the first English sovereign to wear a crown. From early inscriptions and historical records it appears that the Saxon kings before the time of Alfred wore simply a band of pearls around the head as a mark of royal power.

The morning glory has long been regarded as an emblem of coquetry. One floral dictionary declares that this symbolism is derived from the extremely transient nature of the flowers. They bloom about sunrise and in two or three hours have perished.

The Jersey City Woman's club publishes a little newspaper called Our Club Outlook.

Groceries cheap for cash at Dave Ryan's.

"Now good digestion wait on appetite and health on both." Use Washburn's Gold Medal flour—All good grocers sell it. 1567

Pure Californian wines 35 cents per quart bottle at Hall & Nichols.

### Lake Sailors Will Fight It.

Detroit News: "Congressman Corliss is likely to lose the laurels won by his immigration bill in his efforts to wipe out the marine postoffice," said an old lake captain yesterday. "That postoffice is essential for the benefit of 20,000 common sailors. Captains and owners of boats will communicate some way but the only chance the common sailor, or petty officer, has to send or receive messages from friends is the marine postoffice. It would be too bad if it were abolished." At Buffalo, Cleveland and Chicago sailors and engineers are preparing to fight the Corliss measure.

### More Praise for Mr. Enders' Work.

A. J. Enders, Coloma, Mich. Dear Sir: The granite monument you have lately erected at the Pipestone cemetery contracted for by me not only gives high satisfaction but I must say you have more than filled my contract. The design and workmanship is most neat and artistic and I am so well pleased with it that with great pleasure I can recommend to my friends that they call on you whenever they may desire anything in your line.

Yours truly, THEODORE CLARK, Pipestone, Mich.

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## ROBERT FULTON'S FIANCEE.

What Beloved Meant to a Girl Early in the Century.

For Helen Livingston there remained hardly one more year of happy girlhood, free to go and come, dance and be merry, in the old innocent girlish fashion, for at that time betrothal was as sacred as marriage itself and much more restrictive of privileges. That is, the freedom of girlhood was lost and that of the matron had not come. If the lover were present, of course these restrictions were not felt, but in his absence the poor girl had little more liberty than a Hindoo widow. She must not accept even the most ordinary attentions from any man, must dance with no one except her father or brother, and she must always wear, conspicuously displayed, hanging from her neck face outward, the miniature of her future husband.

These miniatures were often skillfully painted on ivory and were usually oval in shape and about 3 1/4 inches by 2 1/4 in size, without counting the gold frames, which were sometimes quite heavy. The broad remarks which it was considered in order for even chance acquaintances to address to the fiancée upon sight of this badge of appropriation were intolerable to Helen Livingston, and rather than subject herself to them she resolutely refrained from accepting an invitation even to her loved "Cousin Chancellor's" during the few months of her engagement, which ended in a happy marriage in the spring of 1808.

On one occasion, when a large and most interesting company of American and foreign guests was expected at Ulstermount, Helen vainly sought her mother's permission to attend without wearing the telltale portrait. Finding that this would not be allowed and realizing that her sister's disappointment would be great, "Sister Patty," only 16, but already tall and stately, heroically volunteered to wear the obnoxious picture, personating its rightful owner. But the innocent fraud was not permitted, and as Helen would not go if obliged to wear the miniature, she was compelled to relinquish the coveted pleasure. Of course the boy lover—he was barely 21—was in no way responsible for this custom, which he subsequently often and justly characterized as odious, and I think that he never liked to see the miniature which had been the means of depriving of ever so small a pleasure the woman whom he idolized through a long life.—"A Group of American Girls Early in the Century," by Helen Everett-Smith, in Century.

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